

fore order was restored. The hat was then passed for ballots and the vote announced:

Confucius Waterloo Lee Jones, 186; Frog-eye Simmons, 186.

As there were 49 members present and no one had received a clear majority, the president arose and announced:

"De officious vote resulticating in tie, de chair rizzes to declare no 'lection. De chair will continue to be yoh eloquential and distinguiicated president until de next animal 'lection."

TO THE LETTER

Above the great editor's desk appeared the motto: "Be accurate"—a motto that was hammered into every member of the staff with painful insistence.

One day Sam, the latest cub reporter, sent in a news paragraph containing the following mysterious statement:

"Three hundred and ninety-nine eyes were fixed upon the speaker."

The delinquent was haled before his chief.

"Young man," demanded the editor sternly, "what is the meaning of this ridiculous statement?"

The cub was not abashed, and answered quickly:

"Sir," said he, "an old man in the audience was blind in one eye."

Hang comforts and carpets across the line when washing them. Moisten all very soiled places and rub them with soap, then wash with hose.

TACTFUL "JIM" WATSON

"Jim" Watson of Indiana, former Republican "whip" of the national house, is on the ground in Chicago, prying his hawk-like beak into the Roosevelt line and leaving a ragged gap after every pry. Admittedly, there is no chieftain on the Taft side who can produce bigger results at a trying time like this, when our cherished institutions are again imperiled.

Watson's big asset is never making a mistake, which characteristic is illumined thus by Frank Mote, staff correspondent for the Indianapolis Sun.

"Another newspaper man and I went to Watson's to dine in Washington once. As soon as we were in the parlor, Jim's little boy came in and spoke to us. Then he ducked. Presently Jim appeared, and we went to dinner.

"Did you notice my boy look you over when you arrived?" asked Jim.

"We did," I replied. "What's the answer?"

"I always have him take a look at Indiana friends first, so I'll know whether to wear evening clothes or what I've got on."

Which is about as neat an index to Watson's tactfulness as his best friend could produce.

